

## LONG BEACH MUNICIPAL CODE ALARM ORDINANCE

In accordance with Section 5.12.120, Long Beach Municipal Code, the Chief of Police prescribes the following Standards and Regulations:

### STANDARDS

- 1S. No person shall install or maintain any audible alarm which:
  - (a) Creates a sound similar to that of an emergency vehicle siren or a civil defense warning system;  
or
  - (b) does not automatically discontinue emitting an audible sound within 15 minutes.
- 2S. All alarm systems shall be equipped with an uninterruptible power supply in such a manner that the failure of interruption of normal electrical utility power shall not activate the alarm system. This power supply must be capable of at least four hours of operation.

### REGULATIONS

- 1R. Any person who operates an alarm for which said system signals: Three false alarms in any twelve (12) month period will be assessed a service charge for each occurrence.
- 2R. All alarm system shall be kept in good repair.
- 3R. All alarms when reported to the Communications Center, shall be stated in the following manner:
  - (a) Type of alarm: 211 Robbery or 459 Burglary
  - (b) Address of alarm
  - (c) Type of business or premises
  - (d) Company or answering service reporting alarm
  - (e) Identification of employee reporting alarm in (d) above
- 4R. No person shall install an alarm system regulated by this ordinance that terminates in the Communications Center of the City of Long Beach except an alarm system protecting City, County, State or Federal properties.
- 5R. When an alarm system has been activated, the alarm business and/or the permittee shall have an alarm agent and/or other person in responsible control present at the location within 30 minutes after being requested to do so by a representative of the City's Communication Center and/or the Long Beach Police Department.
- 6R. No automatic dialing devices shall be programmed to dial any of the emergency and/or "Call for Service" numbers servicing the City's Communication Center.
- 7R. All premises having an alarm system permit shall file and keep current an Emergency Notification Card with the Long Beach Police Department.
- 8R. The address of the alarm shall identify the exact location of the alarm; e.g., the specific building or portion of building protected and not a group of buildings.
- 9R. All new installations shall comply with all Standards that are published and in effect at the time of installation. Except those alarm systems that are operational at the time of publication of these standards. Alarm systems that qualify under this exception must comply within one year to date after the publication of the Standard.
- 10R. No person and/or business shall utilize, for personal gain, any information received via the reception of radio transmission from any emergency frequency of the City of Long Beach.
- 11R. After each false alarm the Chief of Police designees shall notify the permittee in writing of the date and time that the Police Department responded to that false alarm and the number of false alarm of record attributed to that alarm system within the previous twelve month period. Within ten days from the date of said notice, the permittee may present written evidence to the Chief of Police designees that the alarm response in question was not in fact a false alarm. If no such response is made by the permittee within said ten day period, the Police Chief designee order shall be final.

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Print Name

Signature